

## Message Text

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FM AMCONSUL ALEXANDRIA

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INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

USLO PEKING

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, SCUL, EG, CH

SUBJECT: CHINESE PLANNING CULTURAL CENTER IN ALEXANDRIA

REF: 76 ALEXANDRIA 0774

1. POSSIBILITY OF CHINESE CULTURAL CENTER IN ALEXANDRIA (REFTEL  
PARA 3) MAY BECOME REALITY SOON.

2. GRAND (AND VERY RICH) OLD MAN OF LOCAL SOCIETY, FERGHALY  
PASHA, CALLED ON ME TODAY, HAVING HEARD THAT USG WAS SEEKING  
BUILDING FOR AN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER. AFTER I TOLD HIM THAT  
WE WERE REBUILDING OLD JEFFERSON CENTER (ALMOST  
DESTROYED BY 1967 MOB ACTION) HE EXPLAINED THAT HE AND AILING  
WIFE ARE ALL ALONE IN THEIR MANSION (WORTH A MILLION POUNDS  
HE SAID). THEY WOULD LIKE TO SELL AND MOVE INTO SMALLER,  
MODERN VILLA.

3. FERGHALY PASHA WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE CHINESE HAVE OFFERED  
TO BUY THE PLACE, BUT HE DOESN'T WANT TO SELL TO COMMUNISTS.  
HE DID REMARK "MAYBE THE CHINESE ARE THE BEST OF A VERY BAD  
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LOT." CHASE

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